

## BUSY AT STOCK YARDS

Larger Business This Week Than in Six Years.

## COME BY TRAIN LOADS

Ninety-Two Cars of Hogs Bought and Sold.

The Union Stock Yards and the Dold Packing company never have been as busy as they have during the past week. There is a hurrying to and fro of men bent on business from early morn until long after dark. There is a swarming of pigs and a lowing of cattle which causes as much noise as occurs about the Chicago pens. The past week has been the busiest and most prosperous in the past six years. All of the buyers are jubilant over the wonderful prospects of the Union yards. Each one declares that the hard battle for existence has been fought and from henceforward the Wichita yards will be among the foremost in the United States. That Wichita had just emerged from a siege such as Chicago, St. Louis, Omaha and Kansas City have gone through. The Union Stock Yards of this city have triumphed and are now on such a firm foundation that they will be even stronger competitors in the future than ever, and it is a well established fact that Wichita has been a thorn in the side of Omaha and Kansas City.

All during the week and especially yesterday there was a moving in and out of cars filled with hogs. The switch engines, and there were three of them, were continually puffing and switching cars. It was a lively scene and one that made every one move with more alacrity. There were twenty-four car loads of hogs purchased on the market and shipped to eastern markets yesterday. Two new buyers have appeared and they have come to stay who are representing two of the largest eastern packing houses in the country. They are delighted with the high grade of hogs which are being shipped here. Twenty-two cars were shipped during the week to the same markets as were the twenty-four cars yesterday.

The Dold Packing company are running to their full capacity and are killing all the hogs they can get. The prices are perfectly satisfactory to the shippers and are within 15 cents of the Kansas City prices. The difference between the Wichita and Kansas City prices has ranged from 15 to 17 1/2 cents during the week which is considerably less than the freight between the two cities, besides the loss which is sure to occur from dead hogs from the longer haul and hotel and other expenses. There is a good and strong demand for cattle. There are order buyers here who will purchase all the cattle that may come to the market. The buyers are eager for cattle and are paying in line with Kansas City, which means better prices in reality than that paid by Kansas City.

During the week there has been train load after train load pulled in to the yards from all over southern Kansas and Oklahoma and taken care of in the spacious yards. If business keeps up as it has during this winter and there is every assurance that it will, the Union Stock Yards will be by long odds the largest industry in the city.

Col. R. T. Bean, one of the foremost buyers on the market, said yesterday: "The past week has been a red letter one for the Union stock yards. There having been no less than 850 hogs received and sold. There were 32 full cars of hogs which averaged 90 hogs to the car. Our shippers here have become convinced by the actual sales that there is no better market within their reach than the Wichita market. They are not slow to make use of it, either. The buyers have bought everything in sight and still the cry is for more. Good, well fattened, finished hogs are often sold as they go from the chutes. The demand for this quality of stock is always brisk and unsatisfied."

"We have always warned the shippers and do so again to go slow on light thin stuff. There is no money in it for them and it takes the hardest kind of work to get rid of it at anything like a fair price. There is no comfort, satisfaction or profit in handling such hogs in this or any other market."

"The demand for cattle of all kinds is far ahead of the supply. The commission men can not fill one-fourth of their orders. This applies strongly to young cattle of both sexes and as we approach grass the cry for more stockers gets louder and louder. Any one with such cattle can sell here at the best and highest figures. Good butchers' stuff weighing from 300 to 400 pounds came in for a good share of inquiry. The demand is still active from day to day with more in demand than can be supplied."

Mr. J. B. Hutchinson, a buyer and shipper of Modford, O. T., said: "I long ago found out that it paid me to ship to Wichita. It does not pay any one to go past this point, all things considered. I am very glad to see the life and activity that is in evidence about the Wichita yards. I was here last Thursday and sold several cars of hogs and then went on up to Kansas City. I found that I made ten dollars more on the car by selling and shipping to Wichita than I would have done had I shipped to Kansas City. Taking it day in and day out

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There is no question in my mind that it is advantageous to come to the Wichita market. I am heartily glad of it as it enables me to be back to my business at least twenty-four hours sooner than if I go to Kansas City. The market here is improving all the time and the facilities for handling cattle and hogs is second to none, anywhere. I have now been shipping here for the past twelve months and I consider myself many dollars better off than if I had passed by Wichita. The Oklahoma buyers are gradually coming to this same conclusion and it will not be many months when Wichita will get all of the good, fat hogs raised in my country. It does not pay to ship poor, common hogs to this market. Any one doing so need not expect to get the top notch prices, they would not get them any place."

Mr. Hutchinson deals exclusively in hogs and cattle and his opinion is worth considerable. He left for his home last night.

## SUES THE CITY

J. R. STONE WANTS DAMAGES

Says He Had a Lease on Griffenstein

Yesterday J. R. Stone sued the city of Wichita for damages of \$400 for taking away from him part of the Griffenstein park that he had leased. He claims that he had 75 acres leased until March, 1898, and that the city by taking it away from him causes him a loss of \$400. He names as defendants the city of Wichita, J. P. Allen, Ben McLean, George M. Dixon, H. Jackson, Paul McMillen, George E. Harris, John Doe and Richard Roe. The tract he claims lies next to Eleventh street.

## ALFRED McCLELLAND ARRESTED

Wanted in Kansas City For Stealing a Diamond.

Last night at 5:30 Officer Jeff Thompson arrested a colored man by the name of Alfred McClelland, wanted in Kansas City for stealing a diamond ring. McClelland was the janitor in a large jewelry store there and stole the ring and came to Wichita about two weeks ago. There is a reward of \$5 for his arrest which Officer Thompson will divide with himself, he is arresting him alone. McClelland was sitting in Jones' ice cream parlor at 49 North Main street when arrested. He told Officer Thompson that he was sweeping out the store and he saw a traveling man drop the ring. He waited until he went out and then picked it up and traded it to a clothing merchant for two new suits of clothes, a pair of shoes and several other articles of adornment. An officer from Kansas City will arrive tonight and return with McClelland.

## MILK WAGON TORN UP

Dairy Team of the I. X. L. Runs Away.

Yesterday afternoon on the West Side, near the corner of Maple and Dodge avenues, quite an exciting runaway occurred. A notorious team harnessed to the delivery wagon of the "I. X. L." dairy was going east on Maple street, when a bolt attaching the whiffletree to the doubletree broke, letting the former drop down upon the heels of the horse on that side. The animal jumped immediately, the driver in the mean time trying hard to control the team.

At the corner the horse upon the opposite side got far enough ahead to allow the mule-drover to slip off the tongue, the latter dropping on the ground, and whirling to the left landed the vehicle in the ditch. The team went on for about three blocks. Mr. Louis Dalkley, the driver, went over with the wagon, and there was a peculiar commingling of man, cans, splinters and milk within. The young man was not injured beyond a few scratches. The milk settled the dust in that vicinity.

## MILL CHANGES HANDS

Peck Roller Mill to be Put Into Operation.

The roller mill at Peck, which have been idle for some time were bought yesterday by S. C. Wood of Kansas City, an experienced miller and conservative investor, who will repair the machinery and put the plant into operation. Mr. Wood will prepare to put out first class flour as well as feed stuff, and so the industries increase.

## SAYS THERE IS OIL

Neodesha Man Wants to Put Down Another Hole.

C. H. McCready, manager of the Union Drilling company came in from Neodesha yesterday to see if the city or individuals would take up the matter of drilling for gas and oil. He says that there is gas and oil here but that it cannot be reached under 2,500 feet. That all Wichita needed before was to go on down.

## DEATH OF MRS. STITES

Funeral Will be Held Today at Four O'clock.

Dielt Mrs. Catharine M. Stites at the home of her daughter, Mrs. L. H. Woodard, 76 North Lawrence avenue, Saturday at 4:00 p. m. Funeral services Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the residence, after which her body will be taken to Illinois for interment. Friends of the family are invited.

Uncle Johnny Carpenter was down town yesterday morning for the first time in four months. He looked a little worse for the wear of a rupture which has been confining him close to home. In the mean time he says the Eagle has proved his principal solace and pastime, not a line of which escapes him. He is having a trunk made and his many friends hope to see him around again and soon.

## FIGHT IS FULLY ON

Forty Delegates at the Irrigation Convention.

## ARKANSAS SENDS WORD

United States Assistant Engineer is Interested.

About forty delegates and visitors attended the irrigation convention in the appellate court room yesterday and the class of men interested as well as the attention the matter is receiving from other states shows that progress is substantial. E. B. Jewett was made permanent chairman of the organization, and Dr. W. H. Graves secretary. Mr. Rutledge asked to be excused from the duties of the chairmanship on account of the distance he lived from the city. Upon suggestion that a letter giving the object of the association and the scope of the suit to be brought by it be prepared by a committee and forwarded to Senators Baker and Harris at Washington with the request that they ascertain whether the federal government would interfere in any way, the following letter from Assistant United States Engineer Van Frank to Mr. Rutledge was read:

"Little Rock, Ark., Feb. 11.  
"Hon. Elias Rutledge, President Arkansas Valley Protective Association, Wichita, Kan.  
"Dear Sir:—In today's St. Louis Globe-Democrat I notice organization and call for meeting on the 19th inst. I am now gathering information on the subject of the effect of irrigation on the flow of water in the Arkansas river and would thank you to inform me by return mail as to your place of meeting on the 19th inst. Captain W. L. Sibert, corps of engineers, U. S. A., expects to visit your section soon and it may be convenient for him to come on the 19th, and I desire this information that I may inform him of it on his return from the trip he is now on. Respectfully,  
"P. R. VAN FRANK, JR.,  
"U. S. Asst. Engineer."

P. H. Carpenter, representing the city of Hutchinson, and H. Miskimen, for the board of county commissioners, were present. They were commissioned to learn the object and plans of the meeting and report at the next meeting of the bodies they represented. Attorneys were asked to state the plan and purpose of the organization and what legal basis exists for a suit in injunction.

The whole question is, Have the people of Colorado a right to divert the entire flow of the Arkansas river to the detriment of the people below?  
It was moved that the chair appoint a committee of four to which the details of the organization should be referred. This committee will probably prepare some literature to send to people who may become interested, and visit the surrounding counties and cities to see what they will do.

Chairman Jewett will announce the executive committee some time early in the week and the details of the work will be given at once. All the counties named in the call sent delegates. Meetings will probably be held hereafter alternately in Hutchinson, Wichita, Arkansas City and Winfield.

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Beautiful checked and mixed Suitings, full 30 inches wide, in spring colorings, 73-4c a yard.

Silk and wool Suitings, full 40 inches wide, in the stylish mixed checks, at 50c a yard.

Another lot of Dress Trimmings arrived yesterday afternoon to add to this already superlative showing. This makes ours the most complete Trimming stock in the west.

At the north entrance we have about 3,000 yards of the celebrated Tambour Fantasia Organdies. They are in the very latest tints, colorings and designs and will be very popular this spring. This lot goes quickly at 10c a yard.

A spring showing of French Dress Ginghams, usually known as Zephyr Ginghams. They are worth every cent of 18c a yard. Special for Monday, 9c a yard.

Closing out prices on all fancy goods, such as Pillow Shams, Dresser Scarfs, Photo Holders, Belts, Purses and small jewelry. Again Monday we will sell Twill Silk Umbrellas to ladies for 99c.

We have more Mattings than we want and next week we will again cut Matting Prices. 50c Mattings 35c; 35c Mattings 24c; 20c Mattings 15c; 18c Mattings 12 1/2c.

A few more of those 27x54 inch Angora Trimmed Rugs. They are worth \$2.45, our price \$1.65.

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## LADIES' SHOES

We have set out one lot of Ladies' Button Shoes, former price \$2.50, \$2.00 and \$1.50, during this sale reduced to 75 Cents

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## MEN'S SHOES

Our Best & Packard's juvenile enamel Shoes, either Button or Defender toe, former price \$2.00, during this sale at \$1.00

## CHILD'S SHOES

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